



Special Notice

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New Natural Gas Surcharge Rates Effective January 1, 2003

450 N Street
Sacramento
California 95814

The Public Utilities Commission set the 2003 natural gas surcharge rates on December 23, 2002.
The new rates went into effect on January 1, 2003.

rates are shown in dollars per therm

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PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY TERRITORY

<i>Customer Class</i>	<i>CARE</i>	<i>Non-CARE</i>
Core Residential	\$ 0.01396	\$ 0.02881
Core Small Commercial Industrial	n/a	0.02539
Core Large Commercial Industrial	n/a	0.06430
Noncore Industrial Distribution	n/a	0.01819
Noncore Industrial Transmission	n/a	0.01700
Systemwide (Illustrative)	0.00915	0.02327

SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC TERRITORY

<i>Customer Class</i>	<i>CARE</i>	<i>Non-CARE</i>
Core Residential	\$ 0.04545	\$ 0.05949
Core Commercial Industrial	0.01612	0.03015
Core Natural Gas Vehicle	0.01573	0.02976
Noncore Commercial Industrial	0.00592	0.01996
Systemwide (Illustrative)	0.03202	0.04606

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS TERRITORY

<i>Customer Class</i>	<i>CARE</i>	<i>Non-CARE</i>
Core Residential	\$ 0.01881	\$ 0.02781
Core Commercial Industrial	0.01812	0.02712
Core Gas Air Conditioning	0.00073	0.00972
Core Gas Engine	n/a	0.01326
Core Natural Gas Vehicle	n/a	0.00900
Noncore Commercial Industrial	n/a	0.00908
Systemwide (Illustrative)	0.00665	0.01565

DEFAULT RATE TERRITORY⁽¹⁾

<i>Customer Class</i>	<i>CARE</i>	<i>Non-CARE</i>
All	\$ 0.00916	\$ 0.02090

⁽¹⁾ This rate applies to Avista Utilities, Alpine Natural Gas Operating Company, Southwest Gas Corporation and West Coast Gas Company service territories.

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